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## DECLARATION OF MICHAEL J. ADANG, Ph.D. UNDER 37 CFR '1.132

Sir:

I. Michael J. Adang, Ph.D. hereby declare:

THAT my Curriculum Vitae is attached;

THAT I am a co-inventor on the subject application;

THAT I have reviewed the Office Action dated July 25, 2007, and the references cited therein:

And, being thus duly qualified, do further declare as follows:

Regarding the cited Marzari publication, Marzari actually teaches away from our invention. We demonstrated for the first time an active Cry toxin (fused with a phage protein) displayed on the surface of the phage. Marzari states on page 30, right column, for example, that Cloning of a large fragment corresponding to the activated [core] toxin caused slowed bacterial growth, but did not cause lysis unless the bacteria were also infected with a helper phage. We feel that this may arise from the insertion of a functional toxin pore molecule into the cell membrane following phage extrusion. The induction of toxicity is probably responsible for the lack of display observed. [emphasis added]